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### PURPOSE OF THIS BULLETIN

Continuing changes in various parts of the world have necessitated a publication that provides appropriate information on changes in the names of countries, first-order administrative divisions (such as a state in the United States), important populated places, and other significant geographic features. In order to satisfy that requirement, the U.S. Board on Geographic Names (BGN) has initiated the publication of the *Foreign Names Information Bulletin*.

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## INTERPRETATION OF ENTRIES

- Names from languages not using Roman script have been romanized by means of romanization systems approved by BGN and its U.K. counterpart, the Permanent Committee on Geographical Names for British Official Use (PCGN). In Bulletin No. 3, romanized spellings are shown in all names (other than conventional names) in the following country listings: Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, and Yugoslavia\*.
- **Bolded** parts of names identify short-form names. Both short-form and long-form names are approved for use.
- Conventional names are English-language names which are in current usage and which are approved by BGN.
- Diacritics are graphic marks, usually occurring above or below a letter, indicating differences in pronunciation or meaning, as compared to an unmarked letter of the alphabet. Examples are the acute accent (́) and the cedilla (¸).
- The conventional name **Byelarus**, which appeared in Bulletin No. 1, was subsequently changed to **Belarus**, in order to conform to the English-language spelling preferred by the Belarusian government. The BGN/PCGN transliterated form of the Cyrillic spelling **Беларусь**, however, remains the same, i.e., **Byelorus'**, as does the English name of the country's official language, i.e., **Byelorussian**.

\* The United States view is that the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia has dissolved and that none of the successor states represents its continuation.

## **DESIGNATION CODES AND DESIGNATIONS**

ADM1	first-order administrative division (for example, a province)
GULF	gulf
ISL	island
LK	lake
PCL	political entity (undifferentiated)
PCLI	independent political entity
PPLIX	section of independent political entity
PPL	populated place
RGN	region
RSV	reservoir
STM	stream
ZN	zone

## Former Yugoslavia



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*Former Name*

*New Name*

**1. AFGHANISTAN**

Amu Darya [conventional];  
Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN];  
Amudar'ya [SOVIET UNION]:  
STM      43°40'N      59°01'E

Amu Darya [conventional];  
Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN];  
Amudaryo [UZBEKISTAN];  
Amyderya [TURKMENISTAN];  
Dar'yoi Amu [TAJIKISTAN]:  
STM      43°40'N      59°01'E

**2. ARMENIA**

Kumayri:  
PPL      40°48'N      43°50'E

Gyumri:  
PPL      40°48'N      43°50'E

**3. ARUBA**

Aruba:  
ADM1      12°30'N      69°58'W

Aruba:  
PCLIX      12°30'N      69°58'W

**4. AZERBAIJAN**

Azerbaijan [short form];  
Azerbaijani Republic [long form]:  
PCLI      40°30'N      47°30'E

Azerbaijan [conventional short form];  
Azerbaijani Republic [conventional long form];  
**Azärbayjan** Respublikasy [Azerbaijani]:  
PCLI      40°30'N      47°30'E

**5. BELARUS**

**Byelarus**, Republic of [conventional];  
Respublika **Byelarus'** [Byelorussian]:  
PCLI      53°00'N      28°00'E

**Belarus**, Republic of [conventional];  
Respublika **Byelarus'** [Byelorussian]:  
PCLI      53°00'N      28°00'E

**6. BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

Bosnia and Hercegovina:  
PCLI      44°15'N      17°50'E

**Bosnia and Herzegovina**, Republic of [conventional];  
Republika **Bosna i Hercegovina** [Serbocroatian]:  
PCLI      44°15'N      17°50'E

***Former Name******New Name*****7. CHINA**

Ertix He [CHINA];  
 Chérnyy Irtysh [SOVIET UNION]:  
 STM      47°52'N      84°16'E

Ertix He [CHINA];  
 Qara Ertis [KAZAKHSTAN]:  
 STM      47°52'N      84°16'E

**8. CROATIA**

Croatia:  
 PCLI      45°10'N      15°30'E

**Croatia**, Republic of [conventional];  
 Republika **Hrvatska** [Serbocroatian]:  
 PCLI      45°10'N      15°30'E

Hrvatska [Serbocroatian];  
 Croatia [conventional]:  
 RGN      45°00'N      15°30'E

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Ploče:  
 PPL      43°04'N      17°26'E

Kardeljevo:  
 PPL      43°04'N      17°26'E

**9. CZECHOSLOVAKIA**

Čalovo:  
 PPL      47°52'N      17°46'E

Vel'ky Meder:  
 PPL      47°52'N      17°46'E

**Jur** pri Bratislave:  
 PPL      48°15'N      17°13'E

Svätý Jur:  
 PPL      48°15'N      17°13'E

Šafárikovo:  
 PPL      48°25'N      20°20'E

Tornal'a:  
 PPL      48°25'N      20°20'E

Sládečkovce:  
 PPL      48°14'N      17°56'E

Močenok:  
 PPL      48°14'N      17°56'E

**10. IRAQ-SAUDI ARABIA NEUTRAL ZONE**

Iraq-Saudi Arabia Neutral Zone:  
 ZN      29°10'N      45°30'E

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<i><b>Former Name</b></i>	<i><b>New Name</b></i>
<b>11. KAZAKHSTAN</b>	
Aktyubinsk:	Aqtöbe:
PPL      50°17'N    57°10'E	PPL      50°17'N    57°10'E
Balkhash, Ozero [Russian];	Balqash Köl [Kazakh];
Lake Balkash [conventional]:	Lake Balkash [conventional]:
LK      46°00'N    74°00'E	LK      46°00'N    74°00'E
Chelkar:	Shalqar:
PPL      47°50'N    59°36'E	PPL      47°50'N    59°36'E
Chërnny Irtysh [SOVIET UNION];	Qara Ertis [KAZAKHSTAN];
Ertix He [CHINA]:	Ertix He [CHINA]:
STM      47°52'N    84°16'E	STM      47°52'N    84°16'E
Chimkent:	Shymkent:
PPL      42°18'N    69°36'E	PPL      42°18'N    69°36'E
Dzhambul:	Zhambyl:
PPL      42°54'N    71°22'E	PPL      42°54'N    71°22'E
Dzhetygara:	Zhetiqara:
PPL      52°11'N    61°12'E	PPL      52°11'N    61°12'E
Gur'yev:	Atyraū:
PPL      47°07'N    51°53'E	PPL      47°07'N    51°53'E
Irtysh:	Ertis [KAZAKHSTAN];
STM      61°04'N    68°52'E	Irtysh [RUSSIA]:
Ishim:	STM      61°04'N    68°52'E
STM      57°42'N    71°12'E	Esil [KAZAKHSTAN];
Kapchagay:	Ishim [RUSSIA]:
PPL      43°53'N    77°05'E	STM      57°42'N    71°12'E
Kapchagayskoye Vodokhranilishche:	Qapshaghay:
RSV      43°45'N    78°00'E	PPL      43°53'N    77°05'E
	Qapshaghay Bögeni:
	RSV      43°45'N    78°00'E

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
<b>KAZAKHSTAN</b> (cont')	
Karabutak:	Qarabutaq:
PPL      49°59'N    60°14'E	PPL      49°59'N    60°14'E
Karaganda:	Qaraghandy:
PPL      49°50'N    73°10'E	PPL      49°50'N    73°10'E
Kara-Kul':	Qaraköl:
PPL      46°53'N    55°28'E	PPL      46°53'N    55°28'E
Karatau:	Qarataū:
PPL      43°10'N    70°28'E	PPL      43°10'N    70°28'E
Karaul:	Qaraūyl:
PPL      48°57'N    79°15'E	PPL      48°57'N    79°15'E
Karkaralinsk:	Qarqaraly:
PPL      49°26'N    75°30'E	PPL      49°26'N    75°30'E
Kaskelen:	Qaskeleng:
PPL      43°12'N    76°37'E	PPL      43°12'N    76°37'E
Kaskelen:	Qaskeleng:
STM      43°52'N    77°12'E	STM      43°52'N    77°12'E
Kazakhskiy Melkosopochnik:	Saryarqa:
RGN      49°00'N    72°00'E	RGN      49°00'N    72°00'E
<b>Kazakhstan</b> , Republic of	
PCLI     48°00'N    68°00'E	<b>Kazakhstan</b> , Republic of [conventional]; <b>Qazaqstan</b> Respublikasy [Kazakh]:
Kotyrkol':	PCLI     48°00'N    68°00'E
PPL      52°57'N    70°26'E	Qotyrköl:
Kurylys:	PPL      52°57'N    70°26'E
PPL      48°06'N    51°36'E	Qurylys:
Kushmurun:	PPL      48°06'N    51°36'E
PPL      52°27'N    64°36'E	Qusmuryn:
	PPL      52°27'N    64°36'E

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
<b>KAZAKHSTAN (cont')</b>	
Kushmurun, Ozero: LK      52°40'N    64°48'E	Qusmuryn Köli: LK      52°40'N    64°48'E
Kustany: PPL      53°10'N    63°35'E	Qostanay: PPL      53°10'N    63°35'E
Kzyl-Orda: PPL      44°48'N    65°28'E	Qyzylorda: PPL      44°48'N    65°28'E
Novokazalinsk: PPL      45°50'N    62°10'E	Zhangaqazaly: PPL      45°50'N    62°10'E
Novyy Uzen': PPL      43°18'N    52°48'E	Zhangäözen: PPL      43°18'N    52°48'E
Semipalatinsk: PPL      50°28'N    80°13'E	Semey: PPL      50°28'N    80°13'E
Tselinograd: PPL      51°10'N    71°30'E	Aqmola: PPL      51°10'N    71°30'E
Ural: STM      47°00'N    51°48'E	Zhayyq [KAZAKHSTAN]; Ural [RUSSIA]: STM      47°00'N    51°48'E
Ural'sk: PPL      51°14'N    51°22'E	Oral: PPL      51°14'N    51°22'E
Ust'-Kamenogorsk: PPL      49°58'N    82°40'E	Öskemen: PPL      49°58'N    82°40'E

## 12. KYRGYZSTAN

Dzhalal-Abad: PPL      40°56'N    73°00'E	Jalal-Abad: PPL      40°56'N    73°00'E
Issyk-Kul': PPL      42°28'N    76°12'E	Ysyk-Köl: PPL      42°28'N    76°12'E

***Former Name******New Name*****13. LATVIA**

Stučka:

PPL      56°35'N    25°12'E

Aizkraukle:

PPL      56°35'N    25°12'E

**14. MOLDOVA****Moldova, Republic of:**

PCLI      47°00'N    29°00'E

**Moldova, Republic of [conventional];**Republica **Moldova** [Romanian]:

PCLI      47°00'N    29°00'E

**15. RUSSIA**

Irtysh:

STM      61°04'N    68°52'E

Irtysh [RUSSIA];

Ertis [KAZAKHSTAN]:

STM      61°04'N    68°52'E

Ishim:

STM      57°42'N    71°12'E

Irtysh [RUSSIA];

Ertis [KAZAKHSTAN]:

STM      57°42'N    71°12'E

Petrokrepost':

PPL      59°57'N    31°02'E

Shlissel'burg

PPL      59°57'N    31°02'E

Ural:

STM      47°00'N    51°48'E

Ural [RUSSIA];

Zhayyq [KAZAKHSTAN]:

STM      47°00'N    51°48'E

**16. SLOVENIA**

Slovenia:

PCLI      46°15'N    15°10'E

**Slovenia, Republic of [conventional];**Republika **Slovenija** [Slovene]:

PCLI      46°15'N    15°10'E

Slovenija [Serbocroatian];

Slovenia [conventional]:

RGN      46°00'N    15°00'E

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***Former Name******New Name*****17. TAJIKISTAN**

Amu Darya [conventional];  
 Amudar'ya [SOVIET UNION];  
 Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN]:  
 STM      43°40'N      59°01'E

Amu Darya [conventional];  
 Dar"yoi Amu [TAJIKISTAN];  
 Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN];  
 Amudaryo [UZBEKISTAN];  
 Amyderya [TURKMENISTAN];  
 STM      43°40'N      59°01'E

**Tajikistan, Republic of:**  
 PCLI      39°00'N      71°00'E

**Tajikistan, Republic of** [conventional];  
**Jumhurii Tojikiston** [Tajik]:  
 PCLI      39°00'N      71°00'E

**18. TURKEY**

Şirnak:  
 PPL      37°32'N      42°28'E

Şırnak:  
 PPL      37°32'N      42°28'E

Urfâ:  
 PPL      37°08'N      38°46'E

Şanlıurfa:  
 PPL      37°08'N      38°46'E

**19. TURKMENISTAN**

Amu Darya [conventional];  
 Amudar'ya [SOVIET UNION];  
 Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN]:  
 STM      43°40'N      59°01'E

Amu Darya [conventional];  
 Amyderya [TURKMENISTAN];  
 Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN];  
 Amudaryo [UZBEKISTAN];  
 Dar"yoi Amu [TAJIKISTAN]:  
 STM      43°40'N      59°01'E

Ashgabat [Turkmen];  
 Ashkhabad [conventional]:  
 PPL      37°57'N      58°23'E

Ashgabat:  
 PPL      37°57'N      58°23'E

Kara-Bogaz-Gol:  
 PPL      41°02'N      52°55'E

Garabogazköl:  
 PPL      41°02'N      52°55'E

Kara-Bogaz-Gol, Zaliv:  
 GULF      41°00'N      53°15'E

Garabogazköl Aylagy:  
 GULF      41°00'N      53°15'E

<i><b>Former Name</b></i>	<i><b>New Name</b></i>
<b>TURKMENISTAN</b> (cont')	
Kirovsk:	Babadayhan:
PPL      37°42'N    60°23'E	PPL      37°42'N    60°23'E
Turkmenistan:	Turkmenistan [conventional]; Türkmenistan [Turkmen]:
PCLI     40°00'N    60°00'E	PCLI     40°00'N    60°00'E

## 20. UKRAINE

Kommunarsk:	Alchevs'k:
PPL      48°30'N    38°47'E	PPL      48°30'N    38°47'E
Nesterov:	Zhovkva:
PPL      50°04'N    23°58'E	PPL      50°04'N    23°58'E
Nikolayev:	Mykolayiv:
PPL      46°58'N    32°00'E	PPL      46°58'N    32°00'E
Rovno:	Rivne:
PPL      50°37'N    26°15'E	PPL      50°37'N    26°15'E

## 21. UZBEKISTAN

Akkapchigay:	Oqqopchighay:
PPL      37°40'N    67°54'E	PPL      37°40'N    67°54'E
Ak-Kurgan:	Oqqürghon:
PPL      37°35'N    67°27'E	PPL      37°35'N    67°27'E
Amu Darya [conventional]; Amudar'ya [SOVIET UNION]; Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN]:	Amu Darya [conventional]; Amudaryo [UZBEKISTAN]; Amyderya [TURKMENISTAN]; Āmū Daryā [AFGHANISTAN]; Dar'yoi Amu [TAJIKISTAN]:
STM      43°40'N    59°01'E	STM      43°40'N    59°01'E
Andizhan:	Andijon:
PPL      40°39'N    72°22'E	PPL      40°39'N    72°22'E

<i><b>Former Name</b></i>	<i><b>New Name</b></i>
<b><u>UZBEKISTAN</u> (cont')</b>	
Andizhan:	Andijon:
PPL      40°45'N    72°22'E	PPL      40°45'N    72°22'E
Dzhar-Kurgan:	Jarqürghon:
PPL      37°53'N    67°39'E	PPL      37°53'N    67°39'E
Kokand:	Qūqon:
PPL      40°30'N    70°57'E	PPL      40°30'N    70°57'E
Koshkupyr:	Qūshkūpir:
PPL      41°32'N    60°21'E	PPL      41°32'N    60°21'E
Krasnogvardeysk:	Bulunghur:
PPL      39°46'N    67°16'E	PPL      39°46'N    67°16'E
Kungrad:	Qünghirot:
PPL      43°02'N    58°49'E	PPL      43°02'N    58°49'E
Navoi:	Nawoiy:
PPL      40°09'N    65°22'E	PPL      40°09'N    65°22'E
Samarkand:	Samarqand:
PPL      39°40'N    66°58'E	PPL      39°40'N    66°58'E

## 22. WALLIS AND FUTUNA

Mata-Utu:	Matâ'utu:
PPL      13°17'S    176°08'W	PPL      13°17'S    176°08'W
Uvéa, Île:	Uvea, Île:
ISL      13°18'S    176°10'W	ISL      13°18'S    176°10'W

<i><b>Former Name</b></i>	<i><b>New Name</b></i>
<b>23. YUGOSLAVIA*</b>	
<b>Crna Gora</b> , Socijalistička Republika [Serbocroatian]; Montenegro [conventional]: ADM1    42°30'N    19°18'E	Montenegro [conventional]; Crna Gora [Serbocroatian]: PCL    42°30'N    19°18'E
<b>Makedonija</b> , Socijalistička Republika [Serbocroatian]; Macedonia [conventional]: ADM1    41°50'N    22°00'E	Macedonia [conventional]; Makedonija [Serbocroatian]: PCL    41°50'N    22°00'E
<b>Srbija</b> , Socijalistička Republika [Serbocroatian]; Serbia [conventional]: ADM1    44°00'N    21°00'E	Serbia [conventional]; Srbija [Serbocroatian]: PCL    44°00'N    21°00'E
Titova Mitrovica: PPL    42°53'N    20°52'E	Kosovska Mitrovica: PPL    42°53'N    20°52'E
Titov Vrbas: PPL    45°34'N    19°39'E	Vrbas: PPL    45°34'N    19°39'E
<b>Yugoslavia</b> , Socialist Federal Republic of [conventional]; Socijalistička Federativna Republika <b>Jugoslavija</b> [Serbocroatian]: PCLI    44°00'N    19°00'E	Delete

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